

## MR. HALE EXPLAINS HIS BILL IN SENATE

Distinct Provision That Officers of Staff Corps Shall Not Command Any Vessel.

### TILLMAN WANTS MORE LIGHT

Thinks There Should Be Investigation of Charges Made in the Brownson Incident.

WASHINGTON, D. C., January 9.—The Brownson case, the chief topic of discussion in the Senate today, was brought up when Senator Hale explained the navy personnel bill, which was introduced by him. The presentation of the bill led Senator Tillman to ask whether members of the committee would have an opportunity to get facts in relation to the controversy over the Brownson affair. Mr. Tillman intimated that he wished to call before the committee witnesses to testify concerning this matter.

Mr. Hale replied that he thought there would be no obstacle to allowing the Senator to do that. In discussing the provisions of his bill Senator Hale said he had preferred securing the facts in connection with the personnel of the navy in connection with the consideration of the bill, instead of holding an investigation of this particular incident, which had been the subject for so much public comment.

The first proposition, Mr. Hale said, was to see that the business of the department shall be conducted as it had been in former times of great emergency and great peril to the country by the bureau and offices (not officers) of the department.

"I have provided in this bill that unless boards are to carry out specific laws they shall not be continued or appointed in the future. That, I believe, is a wise thing to do, in order that jealousies and at times unjust insinuations and aspersions of officials of the bureau of the navy should at least have no rallying point in the department itself."

He spoke of the provision concerning line and staff officers and their duties, saying that it dealt with a subject which had been a battle ground for many years. He had, after careful consideration, inserted the provisions that the rank of staff officers should not carry with it command of any vessel in the navy.

Mr. Hale spoke of the Naval Academy and its magnificent equipment, saying there are now 1,164 midshipmen at the academy and on practice cruise, and that it would, in his judgment, soon be necessary to receive in the higher ranks of the navy only a small portion of these midshipmen.

Senator Gallinger objected to the practice of appropriating \$10,000,000 or \$15,000,000 for a naval academy and then merely giving education to men who are to enter private life.

Mr. Tillman again entered the discussion, and referred to the Brownson incident. He referred to magazine articles criticizing the navy, and charging that naval ships are being built in a way "to fit them only for the scrap heap."

Mr. Hale said that the committee had always acted as one body, and that he had no doubt that witnesses would be received.

Mr. Foraker said he would like to

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Know whether the precedents cited in the President's letter should be given the weight attached to them in that connection. Senator Hale gave as his belief for the probability that the committee would go to a certain extent into the subject.

Only Line Officers Command. Senator Hale's bill proposes a settlement of the vexatious question, as to whether members of the staff corps shall have rank with the line officers, puts an end to the creation of bureaus by the Secretary of the Navy and gives a substantial raise in pay to every commissioned officer and enlisted man of the navy and the marine corps.

That part of the bill which relates to the assignment of line rank to officers of the various divisions of the staff corps contains a provision that they shall in no instance assume command of any vessel.

The section is as follows: "That officers in the various staff corps of the navy shall hereafter have actual rank and title as now established for the staff corps of the army. Such officers of the staff corps of the navy shall at all times have the title and designation of their rank, and new commissions in accordance therewith shall be forthwith issued."

A large section of the bill deals with the appointment of midshipmen to positions in the line and staff. The bill makes provision for the retirement of officers by stipulating: "That when an officer has been thirty years in the service he may, upon his own application, in the discretion of the President, be retired from active service and placed upon the retired list."

### MURDERED BY A MEXICAN

Engineer Outlaw of Goldsboro Stabbed to Death.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] GOLDSBORO, N. C., January 9.—Engineer Outlaw of the Public Works Power Plant was stabbed to death by a Mexican named Hughes to-day. The Mexican had been employed at the plant, and was discharged by the superintendent last night. He took up the idea that Mr. Outlaw effected his discharge, and to-day he went to the plant on Little River, called the engineer out and stabbed him several times with a jackknife.

Mr. Outlaw died to-night. He was a most excellent man and leaves a wife and several small children. The Mexican came here about a week ago. He has a wife at a boarding house. He was arrested while on his way to his boarding house to get his wife and make his escape.

### Frederick L. Cunningham Dead.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] WELLESLEY, MASS., January 9.—Frederick L. Cunningham, former Massachusetts Insurance Commissioner, and one of the best known insurance officials in the country, is dead at his home here to-day. He was 67 years of age, and had been in the insurance business since the Civil War, and at its close was for some time assistant postmaster of Richmond, Va.

### Negro Convicted of Murder.

SPARTANBURG, S. C., January 9.—Will Foster, colored, was convicted of murder to-day and will be sentenced to-morrow. He was tried for the killing of John Young, a well-known citizen. Young was attacked at night on the public highway, and was beaten to death and robbed.

## CARTER LOSES CASE AND MATTER ENDED

Judge Kohlsaat Renders Final Decision in Famous Conspiracy Case.

### MONEY TO GOVERNMENT

Some \$400,000 Arising from the Alleged Collusion to Be Turned Into Treasury.

CHICAGO, ILL., January 9.—Judge Kohlsaat, in the United States Circuit Court, rendered a decision this afternoon in favor of the government in the suit against Captain Oberlin M. Carter, former United States Army engineer, charged with having defrauded the Federal government to the extent of \$700,000 through conspiracy with Contractors Gaynor & Greene. The court ruled that Carter was not entitled to the \$400,000 in interest on railroad bonds and other securities traced by the government to safety deposit vaults and banks in various parts of the country. Under the decision the government will retain these securities, and the famous case, which resulted in the conviction of Captain Carter and of Greene and Gaynor and the imposing of penitentiary sentences, is brought to a close.

Funds Are Tied Up. Funds of Captain Carter, which the government claims were proceeds of Carter's collusion with Greene and Gaynor, are tied up by suits pending in the Federal courts of New York, New Jersey, West Virginia, Georgia and Illinois. By agreement all of these suits were consolidated and tried before Judge Kohlsaat in the United States Circuit Court in Chicago about a year ago. It is the claim of Carter that the funds in question were given him by his father-in-law, the late Robert F. Westcott, of New York.

The case, out of a total of three, construction of certain river and harbor improvements on the coast of Georgia. The government prosecutors contended that the army officers and contractors defrauded the government in the sum of \$2,250,000, and that out of this amount, or about \$750,000, went to Captain Carter. Special Assistant to the United States Attorney-General Marion Erwin was assigned to the prosecution of the case, and after several years' work \$400,000 invested by Carter in various States was traced and seized. The hearing before Judge Kohlsaat extended over several weeks, and scores of witnesses were examined.

### Negligence Amounted to Fraud.

Judge Kohlsaat, in his opinion, says: "It must be borne in mind that the transactions in this suit covered a period from December, 1891, to 1897, during which years a number of contracts were let, and that even though Carter was not in actual conspiracy with the contractors, if he knew of the vast profits and the prices allowed them on the earlier work, it was his duty to investigate thoroughly the situation and see to it that the government thereafter paid no more than was fair and just. Even negligence under such circumstances would have amounted to fraud. If, therefore, Carter was cognizant of the fact that the contractors were reaping abnormal profits from the 1892 work, and that Westcott was interested in that profit, and was turning over to him under any kind of a cover, or his share of said profits, he was false to his trust and should be held liable to make good to the government all the fruits of his fraudulent act."

"Without passing directly upon the question as to whether Carter had actual knowledge of and connived at this fraud upon the government, the facts brought out are such that he must, as a conclusion of the law, be held chargeable with knowledge of what was being done in the premises. This fact alone makes it clear that the government is entitled to a decree awarding to it each and every one of said pieces of property held by the receiver, which shall be found to have been purchased directly or indirectly with money received by Westcott or any one else, or in any way arising from funds made up as profits realized by the contractors under contracts in the suit."

Westcott, mentioned in the opinion, was Carter's father-in-law, charged by the government with having made investments of the funds sent to him by Carter, which investments were part of the funds diverted by Carter and the contractors, Greene and Gaynor.

### HAS TOO MANY WIVES

Sergeant McBride Arrested for Bigamy and Attempts Suicide.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] NORFOLK, VA., January 9.—Sergeant H. C. McBride, who admitted yesterday that he has two living wives in Norfolk, and that he married his second wife under the impression that his first wife was dead, was to-night Boush on the charge of bigamy. The arrest was made on the report that McBride had a third wife living, whom he married under the name of Dallas. When asked in reference to the third woman McBride declined to affirm or deny the story.

McBride is confined to his home with grip, and he was not served on him by an officer, he attempted, so it is claimed, to secure a pistol, intending to commit suicide. He was prevented from accomplishing the rash act, to-night, by being guarded by his room, his physician declaring that he is in no condition to be moved. The arrest was ordered by Commonwealth's Attorney Tilton.

### ANSWERS FISH CHARGE

Illinois Central Files Paper With Affidavits of Hartman and Others.

CHICAGO, ILL., January 9.—With the implied purpose of countervailing the charges by Stuyvesant Fish in his suit to enjoin the voting of \$31,231 shares of stock in the Illinois Central Railroad held by the Union Pacific Railroad Company, and by the Railways Securities Company, an answer by the Illinois Central Railroad Company was filed in the Superior Court in this city to-day. Accompanying the answer were affidavits by Edward H. Harriman, Walter Lutgen, John Jacob Astor, Alexander G. Mackintosh, Cornelius Vanderbilt, John W. Auchincloss, Robert Walton Goelet and Charles A. Peabody.

The documents admit the existence of hostility toward Fish, but it is declared that this hostility is due to the actions of Mr. Fish in beginning the litigation. Goelet and Peabody each denies that Harriman dominates and influences him. Harriman avers that he does not dominate or influence Goelet and Peabody or any of the directors of the Illinois Central.

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- 37c The reduction sale price of Boys' Fine Quality Madras and Percal Negligee Shirts: standard 50c and 65c value.
- 17c The reduction sale price of Boys' Percal Bosom Shirts, with cuffs to match: cut from 50c.
- 43c The reduction sale price of Boys' Flannelette Pajamas: cut from 75c.

- 47c The reduction sale price of Boys' Flannel Blouse Waists. "Mother's Friend" make: cut from \$1.00.
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## PASS ALDRICH BILL WITH SOME CHANGES

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should not be allowed to draft the financial laws of the country.

### Scramble for Seats.

The drawing of seats in the new office building consumed the entire time of the House of Representatives to-day. There was as much scrambling for good rooms as is manifested at the distribution of candy at a country school on Friday afternoon. As a matter of fact, there was very little difference in the rooms. One member suggested that he would be entirely satisfied with what he drew, since he was certain it would be better than he was used to at home.

Claude Kitchin, of North Carolina, was the first man called, and he got first choice, of course. The first Virginian called to come down to the front of the Speaker's dais and make a selection was Representative Lassiter, who was eleventh in the list. He was not present, but had delegated Captain Lamb to select him a room, and the Richmond Representative picked a good one. A hundred members were ahead of the next Virginian, Mr. Carlin. The members will be located in their new offices hereafter during their terms of service.

### ROUTINE OF THE DAY

### Senate Passes Bill to Protect Defenses—Amend Aldrich Bill.

WASHINGTON, D. C., January 9.—The Senate passed a bill to protect the harbor defenses and fortifications of the United States from malicious injury. Senator Fry explained that the bill provides against violations of the bill by giving for the purpose of protecting harbor defenses and fortifications, in the same way that similar offenses in the army are punished.

### Amend Aldrich Bill.

An amendment to the Aldrich currency bill was introduced by Senator Nelson, of Minnesota. It provides that one-third of all taxes to be paid by national banking associations upon the average amounts of their notes in circulation shall be set apart in the treasury as a guaranty fund for depositors in any bank that may become insolvent. This fund is not to be allowed to exceed \$10,000,000. Senator Burkeley introduced a bill providing for emergency currency to be issued by banks

through the Comptroller of the Currency, with the approval of the Secretary of the Treasury, in amounts equal to the par value of bonds to be deposited with the Treasurer of the United States. It provides that United States bonds, Panama Canal bonds, bonds of any State, county or city, town or municipality of not less than \$5,000 population, may be accepted for such purpose. The amount of such bonds deposited shall not exceed the capital stock of the bank depositing them.

Senator Clay, of Georgia, to-day introduced a bill which was referred to the Committee on Finance, authorizing the Secretary of the Treasury to issue on the credit of the United States \$250,000,000 of non-interest bearing United States notes, in addition to United States notes now in circulation, in such form as he may deem expedient.

The proposed notes are to be issued in denominations of not less than \$1, to be payable to the bearer on demand and to be lawful money and legal tender. They are to be deposited in depositories, under existing law, by the Secretary of the Treasury. The deposit of United States bonds and State, county and municipal bonds for security for the safekeeping of these public funds is to be required, and the payment of interest at the rate of 5 per cent. will be exacted on these deposits. The Secretary is required to distribute these deposits equitably among the several States, according to population.

Against Third Term. Senator Gore introduced a joint resolution providing that no person shall be eligible to be elected President of the United States for more than two terms in succession.

Senator Burkett reintroduced his bill of last session to provide for the teaching of agriculture, home economics and manual training in the normal schools of the United States. The bill has been

indorsed by the National Educational Association.

William James Bryan, who was appointed to fill out the unexpired term of the late Senator Mallory, of Florida, was sworn in to-day, and the nomination of John G. Capers, of South Carolina, to be commissioner of internal revenue, was confirmed.

Senator La Follette, of Wisconsin, secured the consent of the Senate to retire from membership of the Committee on Military Affairs. He assigned no reason for his course.

Senator Beveridge gave notice that on the 29th instant he would speak on his bill to establish a tariff commission.

The Senate adjourned at 2:05 until next Monday.

### The House.

Among the bills and resolutions introduced in the House to-day was one by Mr. Hepburn, of Iowa, to increase the efficiency of the signal service of the army.

Senator Burkett introduced a similar bill in the Senate.

An employers' liability bill was introduced by Representative Striling, of Illinois. The measure is designed to exclude the grounds on which the present law was declared unconstitutional by the Supreme Court of the United States.

Mr. Lewis, of Georgia, introduced a bill permitting national banks to make loans on farm lands as security, and limiting the amount of such loans to twelve months' duration, their aggregate not to exceed one-fourth of the amount of the bank's total capital and surplus.

The House adjourned at 2:10.

### Postmasters Appointed.

[From Our Regular Correspondent.] WASHINGTON, D. C., January 9.—Postmasters appointed: Virginia—Lithia, Botetown county, Geo. S. Delong, vice Henry Brugh, resigned; Paint Lick, Tazewell county, Jas. A. Rogers, vice Deskin Green, resigned; Rousens, Campbell county, Lella G. Watts, vice T. S. St. John, resigned; Shadwell, Albemarle county, Edward M. Smith, vice S. W. Smith, resigned.

North Carolina—Dockery's Store, Richmond county, Alfred Dockery, vice L. Dockery, resigned.

Due to Defective Valves. [Special to The Times-Dispatch.] NORFOLK, VA., January 9.—The committee named to investigate the cause of the boiler explosion at the Commonwealth Avenue Public School, reported to-day that the accident was due to too great pressure and a defective valve. It was developed that the boiler was absent at the time, but it was shown that with proper valves the accident would not have occurred.

### The Creole is Off.

NEW ORLEANS, LA., January 9.—A wireless message from the Southern Pacific steamer Creole to-night says that the steamer is at Ochoa, got off the mud bank at the mouth of the

Mississippi, where she had been ground for twenty-four hours.

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